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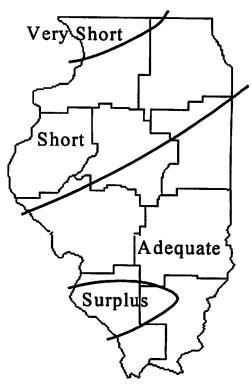
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Corn and soybean harvest continued last week in the central districts and was just starting in the northern and southern districts. By September 29, six percent of the corn crop had been harvested compared to 16 percent a year ago and 21 percent for the five-year average. Soybean harvest was four percent complete compared to 18 percent a year ago and the five-year average of 25 percent. Rain throughout the state provided needed moisture for late planted soybeans. There were 4.5 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture was rated at seven percent surplus, 63 percent adequate, 25 percent short and five percent very short.

| CROP PROGRESS - | Septem | ber 29, | 1996 |
|-----------------|-------------|---------|-----------------------|
| Crop Stage | : : 1996 | | : 5-Year : Average |
| | | Perce | nt |
| CORN: | | | |
| Dented | 94 | 96 | 97 |
| Mature | 59 | 86 | 80 |
| Harvested | 6 | 16 | 21 |
| Soybrans: | | | |
| Turning Yellow | | | 95 |
| Dropping Leaves | 45 | 75 | 82 |
| Harvested | 4 | 18 | 25 |
| SORGHUM: | | | |
| Coloring | 92 | 71 | 90 |
| Mature | 47 | 32 | 61 |
| Harvested | 1 | 1 | 12 |
| ALFALFA HAY: | | | |
| Third Cutting | 95 | 97 | 94 |
| WINTER WHEAT: | | | |
| Seeded | 2 | 4 | 6 |



Topsoil Moisture Supply September 27, 1996

CROP CONDITIONS SEPTEMBER 27, 1996

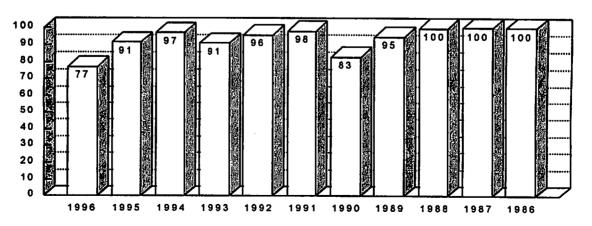
| | : : | | : | : | : Very |
|----------|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Crop | : Excellent : | Good | : Fair | : Poor | : Poor |
| | | Percen | | | |
| Corn | 13 | 41 | 31 | 11 | 4 |
| Soybeans | 6 | 36 | 40 | 13 | 5 |
| Sorghum | 8 | 49 | 28 | 8 | 7 |
| Pasture | 3 | 25 | 34 | 28 | 10 |

ILLINOIS DISTRICT SUMMARY

| District | | Corn Acreage Mature | : Ac: | reage : urning: | Suitable | : | Shor | Topsoil Perc | ent | |
|-------------|---|---------------------------|-------|--------------------|-----------|---|------|-----------------|---------|----|
| | : | As | of | | September | • | | As | of | |
| | : | Septe | mber | 29 | 21 - 27 | | | Septen | nber 27 | |
| Northwest | : | 50 | | 87 | 4.6 | | 2 | 23 | 73 | 2 |
| Northeast | : | 34 | | 69 | 5.0 | | 1 | 40 | 59 | _ |
| West | : | 75 | | 71 | 3.8 | | 9 | 26 | 65 | _ |
| Central | : | 72 | | 86 | 4.7 | | 10 | 33 | 57 | _ |
| East | : | 53 | | 77 | 5.2 | | 8 | 30 | 60 | 2 |
| W Southwest | : | 82 | | 86 | 4.5 | | 4 | 24 | 72 | _ |
| E Southeast | : | 52 | | 71 | 5.0 | | 6 | 30 | 54 | 10 |
| Southwest | : | 65 | | 70 | 3.2 | | - | 7 | 63 | 30 |
| Southeast | : | 48 | | 74 | 3.7 | | - | 5 | 68 | 27 |
| State | : | 59 | | 77 | 4.5 | | 5 | 25 | 63 | 7 |

Soybeans - Percent Turning Yellow

As of September 29



WEATHER SUMMARY

For the week ending 7 A.M., Monday, September 30, 1996

| | : : | Tempera | ature | : Pre | cipitat | cion : | Growin | g Degre | e Days |
|-------------------|-------------|---------|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|---------|---------|
| Location | :Maxi | -:Mini | :Depar- | :Current: | Since | :Depar-: | Current: | Since | :Depar- |
| | : mum | : mum | : ture | : week : | May 1 | : ture : | week : | May 1 | : ture |
| | | | • • • • • • • | | | | | | |
| Elizabeth | N/A | N/A | | N/A | | | | | |
| Rockford | 65 | 46 | -2.5 | 1.39 | 28.61 | 9.22 | 51 | 2467 | -236 |
| Mount Carroll | • | N/A | | N/A | | | | | |
| Paw Paw | 64 | 46 | -4.2 | 1.72 | 26.24 | 6.80 | 48 | 2296 | -319 |
| Moline | 66 | 47 | -3.0 | 0.36 | 16.60 | -3.47 | 57 | 2703 | -223 |
| Kewanee | N/A | N/A | | N/A | | | | | |
| McHenry | 64 | 45 | -3.8 | 1.43 | 22.03 | | 40 | | |
| Chicago | 66 | 48 | -2.3 | 1.99 | 20.03 | 0.64 0.90 | 49 | 2240 | -412 |
| DeKalb | 63 | 47 | -3.4 | 1.54 | 21.13 | 1.63 | 55 | 2499 | -221 |
| Park Forest | 65 | 47 | -3.8 | 2.28 | 27.16 | 8.01 | 46 | 2461 | -330 |
| Peru | 66 | 47 | -3.6 | 1.76 | 17.42 | -2.25 | 54 5.0 | 2574 | -184 |
| ••••• | | * | -3.0 | 1.70 | 1/.42 | -2.25 | 56 | 2587 | -292 |
| Monmouth | N/A | N/A | | N/A | | | | | |
| Galesburg | N/A | N/A | | 1.33 | 19.87 | 1.59 | | | |
| Bentley | N/A | N/A | | N/A | 45.0. | 2.33 | | | |
| Quincy | 67 | 48 | -4.6 | 0.00 | 14.57 | 2.01 | 60 | 2858 | -242 |
| | | | | | • • • • • • | | | | |
| Peoria | 69 | 48 | -2.7 | 1.15 | 15.13 | -4.12 | 65 | 2825 | -131 |
| Minonk | N/A | N/A | | N/A | | | | | |
| Farmer City | N/A | N/A | | N/A | | | | | |
| ••••• | | · | | | | | | | |
| Kankakee | 66 | 48 | -3.4 | 0.90 | 16.77 | -2.28 | 56 | 2677 | -183 |
| Pontiac | 65 | 48 | -4.3 | 2.94 | 22.25 | 3.32 | 54 | 2683 | -338 |
| Watseka | 67 | 45 | -4.6 | 0.35 | 20.95 | 1.98 | 58 | 2679 | -161 |
| Hoopeston | N/A | N/A | | N/A | | | | | |
| Urbana | 70 | 47 | -3.2 | 1.18 | 19.87 | 5.01 | 69 | 2878 | -147 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Perry | 69 | 46 | -4.7 | 1.24 | 16.13 | -1.42 | 67 | 2949 | -84 |
| Springfield | 70 | 46 | -4.0 | 0.70 | 18.38 | -0.65 | 71 | 2967 | -170 |
| Morrisonville | N/A | N/A | | N/A | | | | | |
| Paris | · · · · · · | | | | | | | | |
| | N/A | N/A | | N/A | | | | | |
| Windsor Newton | N/A | N/A | | N/A | | | | | |
| Brownstown | N/A 72 | • | 4.0 | N/A | | | | | |
| Hutsonville | | 45 | -4.8 | 2.01 | 15.23 | -3.08 | 76 | 3066 | -102 |
| Iuka | N/A 70 | - | | N/A | | | | | |
| IURA | ,, | 46 | -5.3 | N/A | | | 89 | 2765 | -263 |
| Belleville | 72 | 49 | -3.2 | 0.40 | 15 45 | 2 60 | | | |
| Waterloo | 68 | 49 | -3.2 -5.5 | | | -2.68 | 78 | 3418 | 158 |
| DuQuoin | N/A | N/A | -3.5 | 1.63 N/A | 17.41 | -0.78 | 63 | 3254 | -101 |
| Carbondale | N/A | | | N/A N/A | | | | | |
| Olive Branch | N/A | N/A | | N/A N/A | | | | | |
| Mount Vernon | N/A | N/A | | N/A | | | | | |
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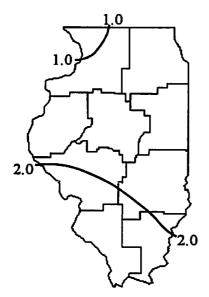
Temperature maximum and minimum are averages for the week. Departure is from the overall average for the week for the 1961-90 period. Precipitation and Growing Degree Day departures are from the 1961-90 average since May 1. Growing Degree Days are base 50 using a maximum temperature of 86 degrees.

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Precipitation (inches) September 23-29, 1996



Temperature Departure September 23-29, 1996

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